

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
February 2, 2005  
6:00pm

Present: Mary Nedrow Vice Mayor, Mark Baca, Pete Hunt and Scott Cray

Absent: Kay Dyson, excused due to a death in the family.

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Sterling Solomon Town Attorney, Chief Steve West, Tom Malone Public Works Dir., James Hamblin Finance Dir., and Larisa Bogardus Community Development Dir.

Public: Mary Fontes with Apache County Health Department, Betty Amator and Edde Castillo

1. Vice-Mayor Nedrow called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Cray, Invocation by Councilman Hunt

3. Public Participation:

Mary Fontes thanked the Council and manager for sending letters to the residents of Tori Circle advising them that public works was going to be working on the road. She also thanked them for doing the work.

4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Councilman Cray briefly reported on the Blue Hills meeting he attended.

5. Minutes: Consider approval of the minutes from the town council meeting held on January 19, 2005 at 6:00pm.

Mark Baca/Scott Cray motion to approve the minutes from the town council meeting held on January 19, 2005.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

6. Resolution # 2005-R003: Discussion and action concerning resolution #2005-R003 amending the fee schedule as required or allowed by the Town Code to change the fees for sign permits set forth in resolution 2004-R009.

Mark Baca/Scott Cray motion to adopt resolution # 2005-R003, reducing the sign permit application fee to \$25.00.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

Betty Amator addressed the council advising them that the sign permit fee had previously been reduced to \$20.00 with resolution 2004-R010.

Staff to research this.

Councilman Hunt noted that the council had just passed a resolution making the fee twenty-five dollars, whether we passed the other one or not we are at twenty-five now.

7. Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup: Discussion and presentation by Apache County Health Department Mary Fontes concerning the household hazardous waste cleanup program.

Mary Fontes on behalf of Apache County Health Department explained that they had recently applied for and received a waste reduction assistance grant from Arizona Department of Environmental Quality to conduct a one time household hazardous waste collection event for Apache and Navajo counties. There will be a site in Springerville pending site approval, on April 16<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> during Earth week. They hope to increase residential awareness on properly disposing of household hazardous waste.

Ms. Fontes noted that through this grant process they would like to see this program sustained and continue to hold events like this. Based on a cost analysis it should cost approximately thirty thousand dollars per event but they will know more after the first event. She would like to contact the town in the future to work on trying to sustain this program with funding from Springerville, Eagar and Apache County. Apache County is also seeking volunteers to help with this event.

8. Resolution # 2005-R002: Discussion and action concerning resolution # 2005-R002 proclaiming the week of February 14-18, 2005 to be "Homes for Arizonans Week".

Scott Cray/Mark Baca motion to proclaim February 14-18, 2005 to be "Homes for Arizonans Week".

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

9. Resolution # 2005-R004: Discussion and action concerning resolution # 2005-R004 providing for deposit of active and inactive town funds.

Mr. Hamblin explained that this resolution does not currently affect us. A.R.S. has specific criteria on how to handle any funds the town deposits of one hundred thousand dollars and over. What has been missing over the years is a resolution that deals with less than a hundred thousand dollars of total cash assets. Mr. Hamblin stated that the town is not at that point. However they have defined those criteria. We would have to make sure that it's in a bank earning the highest interest. The town is required to have this resolution on file. This resolution is a boiler plate from the League of Cities and Towns.

Scott Cray/Pete Hunt motion to adopt 2005-R004 to bring the town into compliance with A.R.S. Statutes.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

10. Request to Purchase Equipment and Software: Discussion and action concerning the request for a budget transfer to purchase other equipment and software in lieu of radio-read meters.

Mr. Garms explained that in reviewing the budget found a large amount dedicated to radio read meters. In discussions with Tom Malone there is not a real urgency for these radio read meters. . The current water meters are working and usable. There are other technological needs within the town that are needed more urgently which are listed

He further noted that some of the items listed are being utilized by entities around Springerville. This would help to get our assets digitized and get information into computers to make usable formats. A

large part of this would help with future planning and providing more efficient services. The cost is around \$23,300 for the equipment and software.

Several department heads also spoke of the benefits this equipment would be to their departments in monitoring grants, records, and having more accurate locations of water and sewer lines as well as job costs, easements, and maps.

The consensus of the council was that they would like to have more information brought back to them. They said they were not against using this money to purchase this equipment but would like to see priorities and maybe even put this money toward some other project, road or even wait for the new budget.

Mr. Garms advised the council that we are currently working on trying to get grant funding but wanted to see if this was the direction the council would like staff to move in.

Mr. Garms said they would be meeting with the City of Show Low to find out about grant funding and how they applied. Worst case scenario the total cost would be twenty-three thousand for all of the equipment and software, not the whole \$31,000 that was budgeted for the radio read meters.

Motion by Councilman Cray to table this until the next meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

Ms. Bogardus advised the council that there are very few 100% grants. They all require some kind of match and the town will have to be able to show a line item that there is enough money available to match the grant.

Motion by Councilman Cray to approve \$31,000 as budgeted for radio read water meters to be used to upgrade our technologies as the staff sees best.

Mr. Garms suggested that the money be used for technology and that staff would bring each and every expenditure requested to council for approval.

This motion was not seconded.

Councilman Hunt suggested that they table this issue until staff brings back more information. The consensus was to direct staff to bring back more information.

Motion by Mark Baca/Mary Nedrow to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

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Mary Nedrow, Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday February 2, 2005. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2005

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Town Clerk